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vertisements.

Bogroff, the assassin of Premier
Stolypin of Russia, was hanged for
his crime on Monday of this week.
Quick work, that.

If none of Barton county's Repub-
lican congressional timber wants to
get in the race, why not be neighborly
and boost for former Judge Clark.

The latest dope on the Hunnewell
municipal trouble is that the At-
torney General has brought counter
proceedings against the city council.

Judging from what a majority of
our folks who were in Hutchinson
Tuesday say, Governor Stubbs re-
ceived more applause than did Pres-
ident Taft. Does this signify any-
thing?

The sugar beet trust, through the
raise in prices, the last few weeks,
is said to have increased its profit
\$200,000 per day. Gee, wish we were
the trust, for about an hour, any-
way.

The warship *Liberte* of the French
navy was blown up on Monday, en-
tailing a loss of life to the number of
over 200. A fire on board which ate
its way to the magazines was the
cause of the disaster.

So far, all the speeches made by
President Taft on his swing that in
any way referred to political ques-
tions, were a defense of his attitude.
If his attitude has been right, espe-
cially on the tariff bills he vetoed, it
needs no defense. But was he right?

Now that Wichita's recall election
is over with, we may expect to see
something else in the Eagle and Bea-
con for awhile. Mayor Graham was
called, hard, also Commissioner Leach
who is succeeded by Harts. Commis-
sioner Campbell missed the recall by
only 36 votes on the unofficial re-
turns.

The Kansas insurgent house seems
to be divided. Senator Brislow and
Governor Stubbs appear to be for
La Follette for President, while Joe
Dolly, their side partner and chair-
man of the Republican state commit-
tee, continues to give out the
statement that Kansas is for
Taft. There is a slip some where.

A merry scrap will be on for the
Republican nomination for congress.
Judge Lobdell, O. W. Dawson and
Judge Cole, all of this county have a
boom, although neither has indicated
his intention of becoming an avowed
candidate. Judge Price, of Ashland,
C. M. Williams and Judge Martin of
Hutchinson, former La. Gov. Flizger-
ald of Dodge City, La. Gov. Hopkins,
of Garden City, R. H. Flaxon of Gar-
den City, and others have been men-
tioned for the place.

MILLINERY DISPLAY

I have just received two big ship-
ments of hats and will have them on
sale Friday and Saturday of this
week. Among them are The Gage,
The Elk and Empress hats. I invite
you to come and see them. Parlor
rooms over the Samuels Clothing
store.

The Millinery Emporium

FLORA A. SMITH, Prop.

SIX QUESTIONS FOR MR. TAFT.

When Mr. Taft was inaugurated, it
was with more general good will than
had marked the inauguration of any
other president since the civil war.
That was only thirty months ago.

And two years ago this fall when
he made his first presidential tour,
his praise of Aldrich and his endorse-
ment of the Payne-Aldrich law at Wil-
sona, were received with tolerant
and respectful silence by the people
of the west who felt that
that law was a betrayal of the party
and Senator Aldrich the principal
traitor.

Two years ago the people in the
western states were not unwilling to
believe that the signing and the de-
fense of the tariff bill were grave
but retrievable blunders of a well in-
tentioned, though inexperienced pres-
ident.

Since then a great deal has hap-
pened to change the attitude of
the people toward the president. Now
he will be expected in the course of
his two hundred speeches to answer
a half dozen questions clearly, spe-
cifically, unequivocally and without
inviting his hearer to consent to fur-
ther presidential procrastination.

The people will ask the president
why he considered that a reduction of
the duties on agricultural products so
urgent as to require a special ses-
sion of Congress, while he compelled
the country to await the revision of
the much debated, well studied, well
understood and discredited wool sche-
dule, until he should publish the re-
port of his tariff board. What ever
be the merits of the reciprocity pol-
icy, the farmers of the West will want
him to tell them how they were bene-
fited in the past by protective du-
ties on farm products in the Dingley
and Payne laws, if they are not in
need of protection under reciprocity.

They are not confused about reci-
procity. It will reduce the cost of
living or it will not. If it will not,
it is a pretense, if it will, it MUST
reduce the prices of farm products.
In this connection it is significant
that the Canadian Pacific Railway,
(which, next to the government, is
the largest land owner in Canada)
has advertised that reciprocity will
increase farm land values in the Do-
minion by 100 per cent.

The people will expect the Pres-
ident to plainly state whether he is
in favor of Aldrich's central bank
plan, or opposed to it. They want to
know why a central banking organiza-
tion, under the Aldrich plan, will not
be controlled by the great moneyed
interests which center in Wall street.
The western people are deeply and
individually interested in the curren-
cy question, because a monopoly of
the credit of the country will
throttle the free development of
western industries and reduce them
to a condition of industrial and fi-
scal dependency such as is now some-
times to be found in Pennsylvania,
New York, New Jersey and New Eng-
land.

Remembering that Richard Achilles
Bullinger came from the State of
Washington to the Cabinet, as a rep-
resentative of the public land states
of the northwest and later, his own
state, by an overwhelming vote,
elected his critic, Poindexter, to the Sen-
ate, they will want to know the Pres-
ident's exact attitude on several con-
servative questions: the public land
question; the question of the preser-
vation of the use of national forests;
the development of the Alaska coal
fields; the construction and control
of railroads in Alaska. They will ex-
pect Mr. Taft to be explicit—to out-
line a definite policy so they may
know whether his inclination is to-
ward the development of natural re-

Great Majestic Range Demonstration ALL NEXT WEEK

FREE



THE GREAT AND GRAND MAJESTIC RANGE

THE RANGE WITH A REPUTATION
MADE IN ALL SIZES AND STYLES.



The above \$8.00 set of ware FREE if you buy a Great Majestic Range next
week, October 2nd to 7th. We will be glad to show you some of the Great
Majestic good points if you will come in. Don't forget the date.

The Great Bend Hdwe & Implt Co.

sources by such large and enterpris-
ing syndicates as that of Guggenheim
and Morgan, or by pioneers, prospec-
tors and small business men with the
protection and assistance of the gov-
ernment.

And the people will be anxious to
learn the President's policy toward
the industrial trusts. They believe
a public servant's policy with regard
to railroad combinations is indicative
of his probable policy toward indus-
trial trusts. They have not forgot-
ten that is is of record
that the present administra-
tion proposed to allow to the rail-
roads to enter into pooling agree-
ments and attempted to legalize
the ownership by one railroad of a
majority of the stock of another com-
peting with it; in brief to legalize
railroad trusts. The people want to
know if that is the President's policy
regarding industrial trusts.

And finally the people will want to
learn from the President what his at-
titude will be toward the Progressive
in his own party if he should be nom-
inated and re-elected. In the unfor-
gotten Norton letter, I was acknowl-
edged on behalf of the President that
he had dealt with the Progressives
as if they had been Democrats, be-
cause they had opposed his railroad
policy as regards legalized pooling
and in other matters. Will the Pres-
ident construe his re-nomination (if
he should be re-nominated) and his
re-election (if he should be re-elected)
as a mandate to read the Pro-
gressive Republicans out of the party
a second time?

WILEY'S "VINDICATION."

President Taft's "vindication" of Dr.
Wiley will be searched in vain for a
single word of praise for the valiant
work that official has done for the
people. Nor does the President have
a single word of censure for the no-
torious McCabe, whose methods of
running the food bureau and every-
body in it, Dr. Wiley included, as-
tounded the members of the House in-
vestigating committee. After
what this committee discovered no-
body knew better than Mr. Taft him-
self that he would not dare to mete
out to Dr. Wiley the "condign punish-
ment" recommended by Attorney
General Wickersham.

The Wiley "vindication" served no
other purpose than to afford the
President a favorable opportunity to
play politics on the eve of his de-
parture into the hostile West. Dr.
Wiley had already been vindicated, a
thousand times over, in the minds of
the people.



Heating Stove Time

will soon be here. Of course you'll want a heating stove that will
save fuel, hold fire over night, and heat the room properly; but the
most important thing is that your stove is built and guaranteed to last.

The World Renowned Riverside BASE BURNER

We want you to see the New Improved
Riverside Base Burner for 1912. It is
handsomely designed and built to last.
They couldn't improve the construction so
they improved the looks. Every Riverside
Base Burner is a double heater of great
power. When desired the heat from the
large circulating flues can be piped to
upstairs rooms, heating them in the same
manner that a furnace pipe would.

There is a great deal of difference between
a guarantee covering "defective material
and workmanship" and our guarantee of
perfect satisfaction. We are willing to
leave the decision to your judgment when
you see the Riverside stove at our stove.

TIGHT JOINTS IN THE RIVERSIDE

The secret of good quality
in any stove is tight fitting;
tight joints with closely fit-
ted doors and registers. No base
burner, however heavy, however good
looking, or however advertised, that
lacks the essential feature can give
long, economical and satisfactory ser-
vice.

Poorly fitted base burners leak air
at many points, causing the fuel to
burn away without benefit and mak-
ing it impossible to control the fire,
while at the same time the cold air
leaking in reduces the heat. The draft
is injured by the cold air making it
stagnant and requires constant forc-
ing, to overcome the chilling effect
of the air leaking in, which burns
out fire pots and grates rapidly and
shortens the life of the stove.

Riverside Base Burners are fitted
tight. Joints are ground to a fit and
sealed with durable cement. Doors
and registers are specially ground or
hand filed, and are close at every
point. Riversides can be controlled as
desired, saving fuel, heating more
quickly and evenly, last longer and
operate like a piece of good machin-
ery.

Hemker's
Hardware Great Bend